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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application:

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.111

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the July 25, 2008 Office Action, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the <u>Listing of Claims</u>, which begins on page two (2) of this paper. Claims 1-10 and 12-23 are pending, with claims 1 and 20 being the only independent claims.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page eight (8) of this paper.